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Vocational School Brings Opportunity

HABBANIYAH, IRAQ – Environmental Chemical Corporation International (ECCI) at Camp Habbaniyah (East) is offering a six week vocational school for Iraqi students ages 14-24.



Students gather around the instructor mapping out measurements.

During a six week ECCI funded vocational school young Iraqi men eager to learn a variety of useful trades are given the chance to develop their skills. The goal of the course is for the students to acquire basic craftsmanship proficiency. ECCI foremen extend their expertise in the different areas, sharing the tricks of the trade they've attained over years in the business. Over the six weeks the students gain a knack for welding, carpentry, masonry, plumbing, tiling, and electrical circuitry.

The school not only teaches its students valuable skills, but also serves the restoration project at Camp Habbaniyah. With the 3rd Brigade, 1st Division IA on ground and more Soldiers expected to join them in the near future, gentrification becomes a high priority. Upon completion of the course, the students receive certification that enables them verification with coalition contractors. ECCI funds all facets of the operation, from room and board to compensation. According to the ECCI project manager, Adriana, the school anticipates expanding its enrollment for future rotations and in turn escalating its resources. As a first time go, the Camp Habbaniyah (East) vocational school proves creditable and remains an unmatched opportunity for learning the art of renovation.

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